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Darfur

- U.S. Special Envoy to Sudan Andrew Natsios will end his visit to Sudan this week with a [requested] meeting with President Al-Bashir. Natsios met Tuesday with 1st Vice President Kiir in Juba. (*Al-Aayam*)
- National Redemption Front leader Khalil Ibrahim calls for Sudanese Liberation Movement (SLM) leader Minni Minnawi to re-join the rebellion against the Government of Sudan (GOS). Khalil stated that Minnawi has been “betrayed” by both GOS and the international community (*Al-Aayam, Al-Sudani, et al*)
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs spokesman Ali Al-Sadiq denies allegations made by an individual claiming to be ex-Janjaweed in an interview with BCC in which he accused the GOS of backing the Janjaweed in Darfur. (*Al-Rai Al-Aam*)
- Eritrean Foreign Minister stated that his government started an initiative to convince anti-Darfur Peace Agreement groups to join the peace agreement, while senior GOS officials traveled to Asmara to discuss Darfur crisis. (*Al-Wihda*)
- President’s Assistant for Darfur Region, General Al-Dabi, described UN Special Representative in Sudan Pronk’s assertion that the Sudan Armed Forces have been defeated in the military campaign against the rebels in Darfur as “misleading, and false.” General Al-Dabi warned Pronk that talking about the SAF crosses a “red line”. (*Al-Adwa, Al-Wihda*)

- Media Advisor of SLM-Minnawi, Al-Tayeb Khamis stated that SLM talks with anti-DPA groups to join the peace agreement, which were held in Tripoli, were a success. (*Al-Adwa*)

Miscellaneous

- *Akhir Lahza* Arabic daily reported about a newly emerged group, Kush Liberation Movement, in Northern Sudan. The movement threatens to take military action against the GOS to highlight the marginalization of the Nubian people. A Kush movement coordinator denies any links with U.S. or Israel.
- Cabinet Spokesman stated that President Al-Bashir will lift the state of emergency in Eastern Sudan and announced a national pardon within two days. (*Al-Adwa-Al-Rai Al-Aam, et al*)

Quote of the Day

“Talking about the Sudan Armed Forces is crossing a red line.” -- General Al-Dabi, President’s Assistant for Darfur Region

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